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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 31, 2007 in connection with the subject patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the claims in light of the following remarks:

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

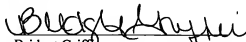
**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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